

The expectation, of course, is that you would have a job. Well, the reason it's so important now to have them covered up to age 26 on their parents' health insurance policy is because they have no jobs. And that's the thing that this administration and this—now, at least in the House of Representatives—Democratic minority, they just don't seem to understand that what the American people care about first and foremost is a job. They want health insurance, of course they do. If they have to, they'll pay for it out of their own pocket. But they've got to have a job first. They've got to put food on the table. They've got to put clothing on the backs of their children. They have to have the pride, dignity, and respect of having a job.

As we go into these elections this fall, and all 435 of us in this body and 100—well, in fact, I guess it's one-third of the other body stand for reelection and we elect a 45th—and, indeed, I think we will elect a 45th and not reelect the 44th—President of the United States, it's going to be based on jobs and the economy. That's the thing that this President, since he took office in January of 2009, has just totally missed the point of. And really, it started in January of 2007 with the Democratic majority in this Chamber when we spent another 2 years wasting time, fiddling while Rome was burning, trying to force and cram down the throats of the American people this cap-and-trade regime which would have cost every family \$2,500 a year in increased utility costs. Thank goodness the other body stopped that, because the American people didn't want it.

And they don't want national health care. That's why we voted in this body, H.R. 2, to repeal ObamaCare. And that repeal passed in the House of Representatives. We finally had a vote in the Senate. We couldn't get them to pass a budget. They haven't done that in 3 years. But after about a year and a half, we finally got them to vote on repeal of ObamaCare. The Democratic majority rejected that.

So, Mr. Speaker, now we're dealing with plan B, and plan B is to chip away at the most egregious aspects of ObamaCare. It would be a mistake for us to assume the Supreme Court will strike down that individual mandate and will strike down that Medicaid expansion, that unfunded mandate, a \$12 billion burden placed on the budgets of our respective States. I think they will strike it down, but I'm not going to stand here in this Chamber holding my breath waiting for that to happen. That would be irresponsible. That would not be representing the people of the 11th of Georgia the way they deserve to be represented.

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So, we are going to fight. That's what this is all about today and the vote tomorrow in regard to repealing IPAB, this Independent Payment Advisory Board that literally takes legislative

responsibility away from the Congress. Talk about unconstitutional; clearly, that is unconstitutional.

We're going to vote it down tomorrow. And we're going to send that to the Senate, and I expect HARRY REID and the Democratic majority to do the responsible thing. They don't like it either. They don't like it either. Let's don't make an election issue out of it. Let's just do the right thing for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, it's been a long day. We have had a lot of discussion on the floor of the House of Representatives, a lot of eloquence on both sides of the aisle. I feel very strongly that we should respect one another, and I think we do. This is not personal, but when you feel that you have the right idea, it's your responsibility to stand strong, not to pander to anybody, but to stand strong and do the right thing, do the right thing for the American people.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and March 22.

Mr. BACHUS (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today and the balance of the week on account of minor throat surgery.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 22, 2012, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5343. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Dairy Product Mandatory Reporting [Doc. #: AMS-DA-10-0089; DA-11-01] (RIN: 0581-AD12) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5344. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 1 (Scotch) and Class 3 (Native) Spearmint Oil for the 2011-2012 Marketing Year [Doc. Nos.: AMS-FV-10-0094; FV11-985-1A FIR] received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5345. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Organic Program (NOP); Amendments to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Sub-

stances (Crops and Processing) [Document Number: AMS-NOP-10-0079; NOP-09-02FR] (RIN: 0581-AD06) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5346. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revision of Cotton Futures Classification Procedures [Doc. #: AMS-CN-10-0073; CN-10-005] (RIN: 0581-AD16) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5347. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS Case 2012-D024) (RIN: 0750-AH59) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5348. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS Case 2012-D026) (RIN: 0750-AH60) received February 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5349. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Richard P. Zahner, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5350. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting authorization of Colonels Christopher P. Hughes and Paul A. Ostrowski, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5351. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to the Kingdom of Morocco pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

5352. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Commercial Refrigeration Equipment [Docket No.: EERE-2010-BT-TP-0034] (RIN: 1904-AC40) received February 12, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5353. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5354. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5355. A letter from the Associate Administrator for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting FY 2011 Annual Report Regarding NASA's Equal Employment Opportunity and Whistleblower Protection Act Complaints Activity; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5356. A letter from the General Counsel and Acting Executive Director, Election Assistance Commission, transmitting Fiscal Year 2011 Activities Report; to the Committee on House Administration.